



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
WOMEN**

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Monday, April 13, 2015

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (15-1765)

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Present: President Becky A. Shevlin, Treasurer Ana Maria Garcia, Commissioner Charlotte Lesser, Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Norma L. Gallegos, Commissioner Veda E. Ward Ph.D., Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D., , Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez and Commissioner Nancy Cohen, Commissioner Maria Calix and Commissioner Barbara Kappos

Absent: Commissioner Dora de la Rosa

Excused: Vice President Alice S. Petrossian and Commissioner Reiko Duba

Call to Order. (15-0979)

President Becky A. Shevlin called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m., and welcomed the Commissioners and guests to the meeting.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Discussion and consideration for approval of the Santa Clarita Valley Branch of the American Association of University Women's (AAUW) Application for Donation in the amount of \$1,800, to send two girls to the 2015 AAUW CA Tech Trek summer camp. (15-0852)

In reviewing and discussing the \$1,800 grant request from AAUW, a recommendation was made to reduce the requested grant amount to \$900 considering that the Commission traditionally gives no more than \$1,000 for programs of this nature. Commissioner Olivia Rodriguez made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Charlotte Lesser to consider the grant to be reduced to \$900. After further deliberation on the

additional information provided by Commissioner Ward who had the opportunity to attend and observe the project first hand and attested to the positive impact the program is having on young women, Commissioner Rodriquez withdrew her motion.

On motion of Commissioner Charlotte Lesser, seconded by Commissioner Gerda Govine and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the grant request in the amount of \$1,800 to send two girls to the 2015 AAUW CA Tech Trek summer camp.

There was also a consensus to invite the young ladies being sponsored to attend one of the Commission's regular meetings to give testimonies of their experiences at the camp. It was also recommended that the young ladies be invited to attend the CW scholarship program coming up in July 2015.

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2. Discussion and consideration for approval of the Zonta Club of Santa Clarita Valley Application for Donation in the amount of \$2,000, to fund three project events (First Awards, Zonta's First Z-Club and Advocacy Project for Domestic Violence Survivors). (15-0977)

In reviewing the grant request from Zonta Club of Santa Clarita Foundation in the amount of \$2,000, there was a concern on what the funds will be used for due to the vagueness of the justification provided in the grant application.

A motion and a second by Commissioners Olivia Rodriguez and Charlotte Lesser to approve the grant request failed. The Commission directed staff to contact Zonta and request them to resubmit the grant request with a clearer justification.

Commissioner Cohen recommended that the criteria in the grant application be revised to clearly define the type of programs/projects that the Commission fund. The CW Executive Committee will have further deliberation on revising the grant request criteria.

Commissioner Govine offered to reach out to Zonta to guide them on what the Commission looks for in a grant request Commissioner Lesser also requested Commissioner Ward to invite Zonta to attend one of the Health Committee meetings.

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3. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of February 9, 2015 Minutes. (15-0980)

On motion of Commissioner Olivia Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Ana Maria Garcia and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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II. REPORTS

4. President's Report for April 13, 2015. (15-0982)

President Shevlin reported that she attended two "Women of the Year" events in March. She further reported that the Executive Committee will be meeting to discuss updating CW website.

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5. Domestic Violence Report for April 13, 2015. (15-1555)

Commissioner Rodriguez reported that the Domestic Violence Committee met on April 8, 2015 via teleconference to discuss hosting a roundtable breakfast briefing for the shelter agencies and other domestic violence service providers, to discuss the impact of the loss of City funding for crisis shelters with the Board Deputies. Also discussed was the DV model Court changes to West Covina court and the California Partnership to End Domestic Violence Conference which will take place in September 2015.

Another agenda item discussed was the visit of the Consulate General of Brazil to LA. The consulate office in Los Angeles would like to collaborate with CW's DV Committee and the Domestic Violence Council to gather information about resources available to victims and raising awareness in May 2015.

The Committee will discuss the Affordable Care Act and DV screening tools at its next meeting.

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6. Education Committee Report for April 13, 2015. (15-0984)

Commissioner Rodriguez reported that the Education Committee is planning to meet with the collaborating agencies to discuss the process

of the scholarship application distribution.

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7. Executive Committee Report for April 13, 2015. (15-0985)

President Shevlin reported that the Executive Committee met on February 23, 2015. The agenda included a discussion of the WOY final processes and the status report on the three students that expressed interest in the Los Angeles County Commission for Women's internship program. She inquired from staff the status of the posting of the new internship job description and was advised that the new job description has been posted on the County's DHR website. She was also advised the three students who originally expressed interest to intern for the Commission based on the previous job description were contacted but they declined.

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8. Health Committee Report for April 13, 2015. (15-0986)

Commissioner Lesser reported that the Health Committee met on February 9, 2015 where there were discussions regarding what committee members' organizations are doing specifically to engage women to access health care and how to improve access to health care. There was also discussion about the Health Committee conducting a "Gap Analysis" to assess where there is need in terms of accessing health care in LA County and where there are opportunities to improve access.

There was also a presentation on Covered California "Open Enrollment" followed by Commissioner Lesser's report on the Board of Supervisors' motion to integrate the Department of Health Services, Public Health, and Mental Health.

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9. Women of the Year Luncheon Committee Report for April 13, 2015. (15-0987)

Commissioner Garcia reported that the Women of the Year (WOY) Committee had a teleconference meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 to do a recap of the WOY Luncheon. She reported that it was a consensus that the event was a success with many positive feedbacks. However, the Committee will consider another venue for next year's event due to the extra costs and other restrictions associated with the

Music Center.

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10. Status report on the June 8, 2015 Commissions for Women's Summit.

- Commissioner Ana Maria Garcia (15-0988)

Commissioner Garcia reported that the Commission is planning a Women's Summit on June 8, 2015 to include other Southern California Commission for Women. Commissioners Ward, Govine, Lesser, Gallegos and Calix all volunteered to work with Commissioner Garcia to plan the activities of the Summit.

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11. Staff Report for April 13, 2015. (15-0989)

There was no report presented.

III. PRESENTATIONS

12. Presentation and discussion on the Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011 (AB109) and Proposition 47 and its impact on women in Los Angeles County.

- Mark Delgado, Executive Director, Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee (CCJCC) (15-0978)

Mark Delgado, Executive Director, Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination, presented on the Public Safety Realignment, Assembly Bill 109 (AB 109). In addition to other effects, the Bill created Post-Release Community Supervision (PRCS), in which County probation departments are now responsible for the supervision of eligible offenders following release from prison and the coordination of rehabilitative treatment services to them. The legislation also shifted the custody responsibility from the state to County jails for felony offenders convicted of non-violent, non-serious, non-sex offenses, as well as for individuals sentenced for parole violations and shifted the parole revocation processes to the local court system.

Following the passing of AB 109 the Public Safety Realignment Team (PSRT) was established by the Board of Supervisors in 2011 to coordinate realignment planning and implementation efforts involving departments and criminal justice agencies impacted by realignment. PSRT's Legal Work Group, Treatment Work Group, Law Enforcement Work Group, Community Advisory Committee, and Evaluation Work

Group have been created to address various issues presented by realignment. Mr. Delgado's presentation included a summary of key implementation areas, focusing on realignment implementation in year three.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

13. Commissioners' Announcements for April 13, 2015. (15-0990)

Commissioner Kappos announced that April 29, 2015 is "Denim Day". She further reported that April 29, 2015 is the screening for a documentary called "Hunting Ground." It is a documentary on rape on college campuses.

Commissioner Rodriguez reported on her training to the County Counsel on domestic violence effects on children. The training was held at the children's court on March 24, 2015. As follow up she will be coordinating a presentation on "52 Weeks Batter Treatment Program".

Commissioner Ward reported that she attended the Women's Veteran's event. She encouraged Commissioners to make time to attend future events as they are very informative. She further added that the concern for campus rape is at the state level because of the concern that women may drop out of college in the near future due to campus violence. She also attended a meeting "Envisioning Los Angeles as a Model of Urban Resilience" however, no gender related issues were raised.

Commissioner Lesser reported that she is continuing on the Torrance Memorial Board. She attended the Women's Authors event in Long Beach and she is continuing to participate in the planning of the "Go Red for Women" luncheon.

Commissioner Gallegos reported that she was a part of the Cold Weather Emergency Shelter's outreach which provided dinner to over 1,500 individuals over a 90 day period. She attended Mt. St. Mary's event on March 19, 2015 and she also attended a meeting at Los Angeles Mission College regarding the settlement dam at Pacoima on March 24, 2015. Additionally, she attended the Office of Women's Health mind, body and spirit event.

Commissioner Calix reported that she has been meeting with several

bodies regarding mental health issues in the community. She will be sending out information regarding a gathering to discuss human trafficking.

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Matters Not Posted

- 14.** Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (15-0991)

For future agenda item, Commissioner Rodriguez will arrange for a presentation on sexual assault on campuses.

Public Comment

- 15.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (15-0992)

Adjournment

- 16.** Adjournment for the meeting of Monday, April 13, 2015. (15-0994)